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Applicant : Sekar et al.
 App. No : 10/628,879
 Filed : July 28, 2003
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 Examiner : Nelson C. Yang
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Andrew N. Merickel, Reg. No. 53,317

Mail Stop Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
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An extension of time is hereby requested by payment of the appropriate fee indicated above.

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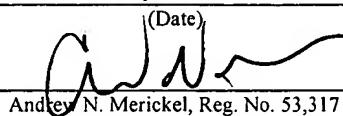
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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on December 29, 2005 and is accompanied by a request for a one-month extension of time. Entry of the following amendment and consideration of the subsequent remarks is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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